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Sustainability Committee Minutes January 17, 2012

I. Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

II. Pledge of Allegiance.

III. Roll Call.

Present: Rick Sprott, Cindy Sprott, Scott Jones, Tara Chisum, Scott Gibson, Guy Wood, Carol Rupp

Excused: Christy Germscheid, Nate Roberts, Jo Mixon

Absent: None

Guest: Andrew Gonzales

IV. Approval of Agenda. A motion was made by Tara to approve the agenda. Guy seconded the motion.

V. Approval of Minutes. Minutes from November 2011 were approved unanimously. Tara made the motion to approve. Cindy seconded the motion.

VI. Reports

A. Education and Outreach (E&O) Tara

- 1. Tara reported that there were no new updates on the business sector meetings.
- 2. We received the flyers from NMRC. We are distributing them to the rental properties, Chamber of Commerce, Visitors Center and any other locations that seem appropriate.
- 3. Tara has talked to the Moreno Valley High School and Andrew Gonzales about getting someone to join the committee while Andrew is on a foreign exchange assignment.
- 4. We have changed our Trash Talk articles for the newspaper to once a month. Andrew said that there are journalist students who would like to write articles for the paper.

Action Items:

- 1. Tara make best use of posters/flyers provided by NMRC.
- 2. Tara arrange a tour of the Transfer Station for MVHS and Angel Fire Ski School.
- 3. All Use the NMRC flyer "What do we do with it now?" And make recommendations to Tara to adapt it for Angel Fire requirements.
- 4. Andrew get journalist students to write Trash Talk articles for the newspaper.

B. <u>E&O – Business – Carol and Jo</u>

Deferred.

Action Items:

1. Tara – follow up with Jo on getting business assessments, P2 program, going. Try to get Chamber Blast and the Angel Fire Resort newsletter to advertise the assessment program. Get a Retailers Association contact list.

C. E&O – Residential – Jerry

1. The magnet idea is moving forward. There have been some problems with the funding to purchase them. Scott J. suggested that we try to use the Angel Fire Foundation to fund the magnets. Guy W. is on the board, and told us that the criteria needed to be health related. Tara suggested that we approach property managers to see if they would fund the magnet program.

Action Items:

1. Rick – Get Village approval and funding for magnet purchase order. Place order for magnets.

2. Rick – Ask city council to bundle recycling financial needs and present it to the planning committees for the next fiscal year. Ask the council to insure that recycling revenues stay within the solid waste department. Ask that current revenue be allocated to purchase the resources we requested in the spring of 2011, i.e.: magnets, signage, etc.

D. E&O – Media - Guy

- 1. Guy reported that media fillers have been added. There are approximately 10 new fillers with "Oso Bear" featured.
- 2. Amy has agreed to put another message on the back of the monthly bill. Guy suggested that we do one on plastic recycling for next month.

Action Item:

- 1. Guy Get Amy information on recycling plastics for the next billing cycle.
- 2. Guy Continue with Lights for Life program.
- 3. Guy Provide Chamber of Commerce the filler information to include our mascot "Oso Green" for Chamber Blast. Also send to Maren and Dave D. at the resort for their employee newsletter.
- 4. Add a "filler" for the Chronicle to remind people that the green trailers are for "Corrugated Cardboard Only". "Please flatten before placing in the trailer."
- 5. Find out why the Chronicle sent bundles of undistributed newspapers to the trash/landfill, instead of being recycled.

E. Resort -Nate and Christie

1. Christie and Nate were excused. Rick reported that the resort needs to get more designated colored bags, (blue) to prevent contamination. Scott G. thought that at least 2 tons worth of recyclable materials were sent to the land fill last month due to contamination. Rick said that the resort deck crews are very frustrated because of this problem.

Action Items:

- 1. Nate continue efforts with the resort Green Team. Get bins and other materials ordered and in place before the beginning of ski season.
- 2. Nate Check trailers for pick up when they are full.
- 3. Rick, Nate and Christie Invite Waylon to attend future meetings.

F. Grants and Website - Scott J.

- 1. Scott J. reported that we have applied for two new grants. We are asking for 14 to 16 new bins for the recycling park. The grant was written as a "hub and spoke" project, but we would like to use them at the park. We have also asked for funds for signage. There is currently nothing available from Keep America Beautiful for grants.
- 2. Website hits are down this month to 850. We need to find ways to renovate and adapt our website on recycling to add to our customer base.

Action Items:

- 1. Scott J. send Rick a list of what is expected from KAB to justify the 250 bins we received and plans for their use.
- 2. Scott, Rick, Jerry explore adding recycling information to local real estate business information. Add our clip art to their information. Get property managers and businesses excited and participating in the programs.
- 3. Scott J. determine how to distribute the Anhauser Busch grant bins to businesses.
- 4. All Send out the website to your friends and contacts on Face book to develop a larger community.
- 5. Scott J. Continue to search of grant opportunities. Talk to the Village about possibly getting a 501-C3 status to be eligible for more grant monies.
- 6. Jo Talk to Karen Kelley about by-laws and Angel Fire Economic Development Group.
- 7. Cindy Include Andrew on minutes and information that will be useful to the M.V.H.S. efforts.
- 8. All Provide information to Scott J. for website information.

G. Committee Administration - Cindy and Rick

1. Rick reported on the progress of the recycling park. He has talked to Mammoth Mills about signage. He has also contacted local landscapers about improving the park. The critical sign issues are educating the public about contamination and illegal dumping.

Action Items:

- 1. Rick Get contact information and image from the resort for signage.
- 2. Rick and Christie check on status for signage and lighting for recycling park with John Kitts.
- 3. Rick Contact local businesses on recycling park landscaping project. Make sure that the final project will look professional. Insure that the landscapers are ready to do what they have committed to as soon as possible.
- 4. Check on status of old bus stop materials for kiosks in the recycling park.
- 5. Scott G. Check with Brian on putting solid doors on the rear of the trailer
- 6. Rick get commitments from Village Administration on funds for magnets, cards, flyers, etc.
- 7. All give Rick an estimate of hours spent on committee work.
- 8. Rick give Chris Campbell the report on the in-kind work from the committee.

H. Planning and Hub Relationship – Rick

1. Rick reported that Cimarron and Philmont are still working with us. We might be able to swap our new blue trailer to make best use of the equipment we have.

Action Items:

- 1. Rick Work on MOU's for spokes.
- 2. Rick- Work with Eagle Nest Park to find a better location or use for the Alley Cat.
- 3. Rick Continue to work on Angel Fire Recycling Plan.
- 4. Rick Work with Cimarron and Philmont on getting a local transporter for recyclables.
- 5. Rick Call Acorn Graphics on stickers for bins.

I. Department Operations - Scott G.

- 1. Scott reported on the grant needs for the next cycle. They need a new Bobcat, which would cost approximately \$35,000 to handle heavy loads. They would also like a fluorescent bulb crusher which would be approximately \$5,000. They could also use a paper shredder which would be approximately \$15,000 to \$20,000. This would help in the baling process.
- 2. Christine is gathering the 2011 data.
- 3. Glass crushing for 2011 was approximately 43,000 pounds.

Action Items:

- 1. Scott G. and Andrew G. set up open house tours for MVHS students. Best days are Tues Thurs with 20 students or less on each tour.
- 2. Scott G. and Andrew G try to set up an intern program for students to learn about the process of recycling.
- 3. Scott G. Coordinate with Joel B. on an e-waste collection container.
- 4. Scott G. Have Christine email prior month's data to Rick by 15th of following month.
- 5. Scott G. Add cooking oil collected & bio-diesel produced and mixed paper to monthly statistics.
- 6. Scott G. Provide dates for a public open house and tour of the transfer station this fall. (Smaller groups are best and Mondays and Fridays are not good due to weekend workloads)
- 7. Scott G. Provide committee with report on how bulb crusher can be employed without triggering any state or federal waste requirements.
- 8. Rick and Scott Determine the best use and location of the new blue trailer.
- 9. Rick Ask Tomas, the new Village Administrator, to insure that we get the data we need to justify the department operations.
- 10. Scott G. Talk to other villages/cities to see how they collect data.

VII. Old Business No old business.

VIII. New Business

- A. Rick Recommend to Council that Jo Mixon Andrew Gonzales be added to the committee. Motion made by Carol and seconded by Scott Jones. Passed unanimously.
- **IX.** Requests and Responses from the Audience None.
- X. Next meeting will be at 9 a.m., February 23, 2012 at Village Hall

QUOTE OF THE DAY

Big Blue Mountain Spirit
The home made of blue clouds...
I am grateful for that mode of goodness there.

Apache chant